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SUBJECT: 32ND UNGA: JAPANESE VIEWS ON CONVENTION ARMS

TRANSFERS

1. JAPANESE CCD PERMREP OGISO INFORMED US OCTOBER 26 THAT JAPAN HAS DECIDED NOT TO INTRODUCE DRAFT RES ON CONVENTIONAL ARMS TRANSFER AT 32ND UNGA. INSTEAD, OGISO WILL MAKE A GENERAL REFERENCE TO THE SUBJECT IN HIS SPEECH TO FIRST COMMITTEE INCLUDING A RECOMMENDATION THAT IT BE TAKEN UP AT SPECIAL SESSION ON DISARMAMENT. (SSOD).

2. OGISO SAID THAT JAPAN IS CONSIDERING THE POSSIBILITY OF INTRODUCING TWO PROPOSAL IN FORM OF DRAFT RESOLUTIONS TO THE SPECIAL SESSION, AND IS INTERESTED IN US VIEWS ON THEM. HE ADDED THAT HE HAS NOT YET DISCUSSED THEM WITH OTHER DELEGATIONS.

3. THE FIRST PROPOSAL WOULD ASK THE SSOD TO ESTABLISH
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EITHER AN EXPERTS GROUP OR AN AD HOC COMMITTEE, INCLUDING REPRESENTATIVES OF SUPPLIER AND CONSUMER NATIONS, TO STUDY THE QUESTION OF CONVENTIONAL ARMS TRANSFERS IN ALL ASPECTS AND REPORT TO THE 34TH UNGA. THE SECOND PROPOSAL WOULD ASK THE SSOD TO INVITE THE MAJOR SUPPLIERS OF CONVENTIONAL ARMS, ESPECIALLY THE US AND THE USSR, TO ENTER INTO CONSULTATIONS ON THE ISSUE. IN REPLY TO

OUR QUESTION, OGISO ADDED THAT IMPLICIT IN THE SECOND PROPOSAL WAS THE EXPECTATION THAT THE SUPPLIERS WOULD REPORT ON THEIR CONSULTATIONS TO THE UN.

4. MISOFF TOLD OGISO THAT, IN VIEW OF DIFFICULTIES WHICH THE JAPANESE INITIATIVE HAD ENCOUNTERED AT THE 31ST UNGA AND INCREASING EXPECTATIONS AMONG MANY DELEGATIONS FOR THE SPECIAL SESSION, IT SEEMED A GOOD IDEA NOT TO RAISE THE ISSUE IN THE FIRST COMMITTEE THIS YEAR. THE US IS SERIOUSLY INTERESTED IN THE PROBLEM, AS EVIDENCED BY PRESIDENT CARTER'S DISCUSSION ON IT IN HIS UNGA SPEECH, AND IS ALSO CONSIDERING HOW THE ISSUE COULD BE ADDRESSED AT THE SPECIAL SESSION.

5. MISOFF TOLD OGISO THAT HE WOULD PASS ON HIS VIEWS AND OBTAIN DEPARTMENT'S REACTION TO THEM.

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